

State Fair Opens With Best Attractions in Its History

BULGARIA THROWS OFF YOKE OF TURKISH RULE

Prince Ferdinand Issues Manifesto Proclaiming Independence.

ACTION AT TIRNOVO SURPRISE TO BRITAIN

She Serves Notice That She Does Not Recognize Right to Violate Treaty of Berlin. Nations Co-operating to Prevent War.

SOFIA, BULGARIA, October 5.—Bulgaria, a tributary principality under the suzerainty of the Sultan of Turkey, to-day proclaimed her independence of Turkey.

This action was taken at Tirnovo by Prince Ferdinand, who was elected Prince of Bulgaria in 1887. The Bulgarian Cabinet was present when the prince, having met him yesterday at the frontier and journeyed with him to Tirnovo.

The party reached Tirnovo last evening. Tirnovo is the ancient capital of the kingdom of Bulgaria, and it was there in the olden days that the kings of Bulgaria were crowned.

The proclamation was made at the Cathedral of Tirnovo at 11 o'clock this morning. A manifesto of independence, addressed to the nation, was subsequently issued by the prince.

Reads the Proclamation.
When Prince Ferdinand and his ministers arrived at Tirnovo this morning they were greeted at the station by a great crowd of people. A procession was formed and proceeded to the Church of the Forty Martyrs. It was received by the archbishop and others of the clergy, and the prince proceeded to the cathedral. After an anthem was sung, Prince Ferdinand, deeply moved, read the proclamation. It was as follows:

"By the will of our never-to-be-forgotten liberator and our great kindred, the Russian nation, aided by our good friends and neighbors, the subjects of the King of Roumania, and by the Bulgarian heroes of 1878, the chains of slavery were broken by which for so many years and centuries Bulgaria, once a great and glorious power, was bound and fettered. The Bulgarian nation has been preserving the memory of those who labored for its freedom, and, inspired by their tradition, has worked incessantly for the development of its beautiful country, and under my guidance and that of the departed Prince Alexander, has made itself a nation fit to take equal place in the family of civilized peoples with its gifts of culture and progress.

Bulgaria, practically an independent nation, was impeded in its normal and peaceful development by certain illusions and formal limitations which resulted in coldness of returns between Turkey and Bulgaria. I and the nation decided to devote ourselves to peaceful development of Turkey.

"Turkey and Bulgaria, free and independent of each other, may exist under conditions which will allow them to strengthen their friendly relations and to devote themselves to peaceful internal development.

"Inspired by the sacred purpose of fulfilling national requirements and national desire, I proclaim, with the blessing of the Almighty, Bulgaria an independent kingdom. Together with the nation, I firmly believe that this act will meet the approbation of the great powers."

TURKEY PREPARING REPLY REFUSING TO RECOGNIZE

CONSTANTINOPLE, October 5.—The council of ministers met early this evening and were still sitting at midnight, preparing a protest, which was submitted to Bulgaria and the powers against the violation of the treaty of Berlin.

Prince Ferdinand has telegraphed to the Turkish government that he was compelled to respect the voice of the nation and hoped that the friendly relations between the two countries would continue.

Turkey's reply, which is being prepared, refuses to recognize Bulgaria's independence.

A committee of the Young Turks' party is also holding a session to-night, at which the situation is being reviewed.

GREAT SURPRISE TO BRITAIN

Foreign Office Issues Statement Declaring Position.
LONDON, October 5.—In the ancient capital of Tirnovo the independence of Bulgaria was proclaimed to-day, with the Czar of the Bulgarians as a ruler. Czar of the Bulgarians is recognized to mean more than Czar of Bulgaria, because it is a distinct intimation that he regards his country as having sovereignty over all the people of that blood in the near East. Within a day or two Austria-Hungary, which has been working with Prince Ferdinand in this preconcerted plan, will proclaim the new status of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The question, which has been stirring the whole of Europe more deeply than any similar question with the memory of the present generation, is, does it mean war? From all the capitals to-night come reports indicating that it means, first of all, another European congress of the signers of the treaty of Berlin to consider the situation and probably to revise the treaty.

Turkey, caught in a moment of weakness, is the victim of this situation. While some international amonities have been stirred up, probably

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VICTIM OF CRAZED HUSBAND

Mrs. Beals Dies From Injuries Inflicted By Her Demented Husband.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

BRISTOL, TENN., October 5.—After lying unconscious from the time she was brained by her insane husband, Mrs. William Beals died at the Bayless Cottage, in Johnson City, Tenn., at 4 o'clock this afternoon. She was an exceptionally corpulent woman, weighing more than 300 pounds. No children had been born to Mrs. Beals and her husband, and up to the time he became mentally unbalanced, four days ago, they had been perfectly devoted to each other. Buried Bayless, the brother-in-law, whom Beals brained with the same axe with which he killed his wife, is survived by his wife, who was a sister of Mrs. Beals, and six children. The bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Beals will be buried side by side at Emburyville, Tenn., to-morrow. The body of Mr. Bayless was buried at Johnson City to-day.

Beals had been a prominent citizen of Washington county, Tenn., and was a member of the county court up to the time of his tragic fate yesterday, when he committed suicide by hanging after he had been locked up, following his shocking deeds.

The affair has cast a gloom over Johnson City, and is upon every tongue in Washington county. Beals killed Bayless while the latter lay asleep beside his young son. He then struck Mrs. Bayless with the axe, breaking her arm, before he slew his wife, whom he followed into the yard.

CAPTAIN MITCHELL DEAD

Served in Confederate Army and Father of a Famous Editor Here.
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NEW YORK, October 5.—Captain James Mitchell, son of John Mitchell, the Irish patriot, died to-day. Captain Mitchell was born at Newry, Ireland, and came to New York with his father in 1853. The father immediately published his "Jail Journal, or Five Years in British Prisons." In 1855 he established "The Citizen," in which he published his celebrated letter to Henry Ward Beecher in the defense of slavery. He finally went to Knoxville, Tenn., in 1857, where he established "The Southern Citizen," which later failed.

At the commencement of the Civil War John Mitchell was editing the Enquirer at Richmond, Va., where he was advocating the Southern cause with great enthusiasm. He and his three sons joined the Confederate army. James Mitchell going as captain of a Virginia company. His two brothers, John and William, himself and his father fought with valor throughout the war. Mitchell was killed at the battle of Gettysburg. He was a native of Ireland, and was wounded twice in the leg and once in the chest.

MOTORMAN IS KILLED

Newport News Man Is Hurled From Train.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., October 5.—Vainly attempting to stop his car after it had left the tracks, L. T. Gammon, a motorman employed by the Newport News and Old Point Railway and Electric Company, was thrown against an embankment beside the track in East Hampton to-night and instantly killed. His head was crushed to a pulp by the force of the fall.

Only three negroes were passengers on the car at the time. A coroner's jury, after partially investigating the cause, adjourned until to-morrow night. The railway officials are unable to give any reason for the accident, and it is said that the rails were in perfect condition at the point where the car left the track.

Gammon was twenty-six years old, and had been employed by the railway for two years. He was a native of Danville.

PRESENT BOWL TO TOGO

Pleasant Incident at Dinner Given Wives of American Officers.
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TOKIO, October 5.—Adjoining to-night the wives of the American naval officers, who are here awaiting the arrival of the Atlantic battleship fleet. There were present also many officials and prominent persons. After dinner the Japanese Commander, Admiral Doughty, presented Admiral Togo with a silver bowl, the gift of Colonel Thompson, inscribed "A token of esteem, regard and admiration from the wives of the American naval officers." Commander Doughty added the entire company subscribed. "Admiral Togo replied briefly.

WOULD BLOW UP SCHOOL

Janitor Discovers Plot to Dynamite Largest School in the Bronx.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

NEW YORK, October 5.—Parents of children who attend public school No. 6, the largest institution of its kind in the Bronx, were greatly excited to-day when a report was given wide circulation that the janitor of the building had found a charge of dynamite, with fuses attached, in a section of the building. About 1,500 children attend the school. It is said, discovered on last Friday the evidences of what was believed to be an attempt to blow up the school building. Since then the police have been working in an effort to find the person responsible for the supposed plot, and an officer has constantly patrolled the street in front of the school.

SUES HIS SCHOOL-TEACHER

Norfolk County Boy Wants \$2,500 for Broken Collarbone.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

NORFOLK, VA., October 5.—Alleging that his school teacher pulled him about, throwing him to the floor and breaking his collarbone, Frank O. Jarvis, a minor, through his next best friend, to-day filed suit in the Norfolk county Circuit Court for \$2,500 damages against Arthur Sawyer, the teacher in the case.

ELIJAH WRIGHT GETS SENTENCE TO CHAIR

BRISTOL, VA., October 5.—Elijah Wright, who was last week convicted of having killed William Seifers at Clintwood, Va., was to-day sentenced to be hanged November 21th. The crime was committed before the passage of the law providing for electrocution. Seifers was prominent in Dickinson county.

COMPROMISE PLAN WINS IN COUNCIL

City to Acquire Water Front Property and Raise Lester Street From Mud.

SHARP FIGHT ENDS AFTER LONG DEBATE

Mayor Makes Strong Plea for Safer Schools — Street Fund Remains, Effort to Kill It Failing on Roll Call.
New Ordinances.

WITH the Fulton delegation divided, the Common Council to-night passed the compromise ordinance prepared by the Finance Committee, presented the substitute measure, explaining that the committee had spent days of study over the matter, and had only yesterday afternoon succeeded in pruning it down to 7. The ordinance, which was introduced by H. R. Pollard, Jr., of the Finance Committee, presented the substitute measure, explaining that the committee had spent days of study over the matter, and had only yesterday afternoon succeeded in pruning it down to 7. The ordinance, which was introduced by H. R. Pollard, Jr., of the Finance Committee, presented the substitute measure, explaining that the committee had spent days of study over the matter, and had only yesterday afternoon succeeded in pruning it down to 7.

New Plan to Cost Less.
He stated that the committee had cut out some of the lots fronting on Lester Street, embraced in the tentative agreement of last Saturday, as it was now proposed to leave that street as it was and open a new street for the benefit of Fulton. The committee returned for rejection the proposition to issue bonds, and appropriated \$150,000, with the statement that every essential feature would be embraced in the compromise plan, which would be provided for by the Finance Committee by a temporary loan.

Mr. Lynch vigorously fought the proposition on the ground that it was not sufficiently comprehensive, and argued for the original report of the condemnation commissioners, saying that by a little sacrifice on the part of the West End of the city the work could readily be accomplished out of current funds.

Mr. J. T. Powers, of the James River Improvement Committee, said the compromise proposed by the Finance Committee was satisfactory to his committee, and was in substance along the lines it had proposed last week. Councilman Rogers, leader of the fight in Fulton, said that while he was not all for the compromise, he was more than willing to take this at present rather than jeopardize the whole plan.

Mr. Garber, who claimed to be the originator of the Lester Street idea, opposed the compromise, arguing that both sides of Lester Street should be acquired. He also opposed the building of a new street and leaving Lester at its present level. The final vote, being 24 to 7, Billie, Davis, Garber, Hirschberg, Lynch, Wiltshire and President Peters, who left the chair to speak against the proposition, on the ground that the city should buy the property and leave the street as it is, later have to acquire additional property at higher rates.

To Make Schools Secure.

Mayor Richardson forwarded to the Council last night a special message calling attention to the urgent need for a appropriation for alterations to the public school buildings to prevent danger from panic or fire. The Mayor stated that the report made by the Building Inspector to his predecessor last March had been referred to the Board, and that seventy-one of the smaller defects noted had been corrected, leaving forty-six items which, in the judgment of the Building Inspector, and being estimated at \$173,912 for which the Mayor asked an urgent and immediate appropriation. The message went on to state that the School Board asked for the erection of additional buildings to meet the growing demands of the city, which, in the judgment of the Mayor, might be reserved for future consideration, but that he again urged immediate action for repairs and alterations to safeguard the lives of children.

The roll call proved barren of interesting new ordinances. President Peters presented a communication for the Board of Health, asking the Council to confer police power on certain health officers, which was referred to the Ordinance, Charter and Reform Committee, and a letter from the chief health officer, calling attention to the need of a public water supply in certain parts of the annexed territory. The Police Board asked a special appropriation for the bicycles for the mounted force. Mr. Richards offered an ordinance giving the Street Committee authority to establish a building line on request of two-thirds of the property-owners of any block. An attempt to pass it under suspension of the rules failed, and it went to the Committee on Ordinance, Charter and Reform.

Mr. Pollard offered an ordinance to create a board of public improvements, the paper being referred to the Ordinance, Charter and Reform Committee, as were an ordinance offered by Mr. Davis regulating private and public stables, and one offered by Mr. Cuthbert requiring the printing of a draft of all ordinances before their final passage.

Promise Help to Dock Street.
From the Street Committee came a request for \$7,000 to repave Dock Street, and it was referred to the Finance Committee. The petition of the Chesapeake and Ohio and Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroads to construct certain tracks across Sixth and Seventh Streets at grade was recommended by the Ordinance Committee. Several amendments were

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TEN DIE IN FIRE SET BY BLACK HAND

Half Score of Lives Lost and Five Others Injured in Tenement.

OIL BARRELS FIRED BY AN INCENDIARY

Work Deliberately Done, and Fiend Seen Running Away. Mothers Perish With Little Children, Whom They Seek in Vain to Save.

NEW YORK, October 5.—Ten lives were snuffed out by an incendiary's torch in the big tenement building at No. 711-2 Mulberry Street at 1 A. M. to-day. Several others were severely injured, one of whom is dying.

The fire was in the heart of the Calabrian section of New York, and it is the opinion of the police that it was the work of Black Hand agents.

The dead: Domenico Forcillo, thirty years old; his wife, Antonella, twenty-eight, and their three children, Rosa, five; Joseph, three, and Felecia, two.

Francesco Palestino, eighteen, a boarder at the Forcillo home, and her seven-year-old daughter, Christina, Vito Barone, twenty-one, a boarder in Rosa Schettino's flat.

A man believed to be Pietro Magliana, an unidentified man, about thirty years old, is dying in Hudson Street Hospital. Five others were taken to hospitals.

The ground floor of the tenement was occupied by Carmelo de la Vecchio's grocery store. He and his wife occupy rooms in the rear of the store.

Fired Oil-Soaked Barrels.
About 1 o'clock de la Vecchio and his wife were having coffee in their rooms when they saw a man enter the hall from the street. The man looked carefully about the hall and located the steps. There were some barrels at the curb, which presumably were filled with paper and soaked with oil.

On the street were Charles Lemplio and Charles Fresa. The two men saw the mysterious man move the barrels from the street and marveled at his midnight activity. But they did not disturb the man.

Suddenly the man dashed out of the hall. He ran full speed up Mulberry Street, turned a corner and disappeared.

The next instant Lemplio and Fresa saw flames shooting up in the hall, which was entirely of wood. The two men rushed in and found half a dozen barrels under the steps blazing. Flames had already spread themselves against the walls and ceiling and were climbing up the stairs.

The men yelled "Fire," and attempted to hurl the barrels into the street, but the flames drove them back. Then they ran outside and mounted the fire escape.

One of the first persons to get out of the burning house was Pietro Magliana. He came down the rear escape, and leaped to the street. He remembered he had left his money behind, and back he went up the escape, fighting his way through the crowds until he reached the third floor.

A few minutes later a man ablaze, hurled himself from the third-floor window. He was taken to the hospital, but he has been so badly burned that no one recognized him, but it is said it was Magliana.

On the fourth floor lived the Forcillo family—father, three children and the boarder, Palestino. Forcillo and his wife got to the escape in front and were followed by their children and boarder. As they were on the stairs, which is supposed to have been caused by a back draft.

The house trembled and windows crashed in the direction of the burning windows below and the Forcillos were driven back into their smoke-filled and already blazing rooms. They ran to the escape and leaped to the street, but the flames were too close.

The mother carried another and Palestino held the third. The clothes of all were smoldering and flames came over the escape. Suddenly the smoke hid the imprisoned persons from view. The firemen found their bodies later. All had been suffocated and burned.

About the same time Mrs. Schettino appeared at the front window with her little daughter, Amelia, in her arms. The mother and child were both on fire, but the mother smothered the flames in the child's clothes with her hands and then dropped the little one to a man on the fire escape.

Dies Trying to Save Child.
Back she went for her other daughter, Christina. Mother and daughter were found later burned to a crisp.

Vito Barone was a boarder on the third floor, and when he found the fire escapes too hot to climb down he took to the hall. He reached the second floor, where he was overcome, and there the firemen found him dead.

STEWART SHOULD BE RETIRED
Medical Board Reports Him Incapacitated by Heart Disease.
WASHINGTON, D. C., October 5.—The medical board of army officers in the case of Colonel William F. Stewart, U. S. A., placed in command of the ungarisoned post at Fort Grant, Ariz., by President Roosevelt to-day reported that officer incapacitated for active service. The report follows:

"We are of the opinion that this officer is plainly incapacitated for active service on account of heart disease, which he first exhibited thirty-four years ago."

This action does not end the case. Colonel Stewart will present testimony and produce witnesses of his own before a retiring board.

WEATHER.
Cloudy and warmer.

EFFORT TO DICTATE BADAS THIRD TERM

Mr. Kern, Addressing Immense Audience at Asheville, Scores President.

DECLARES THIRD TERM IS NO MORE HATEFUL

Course of Roosevelt in Undertaking to Name and Dictate His Successor in Direct Conflict With Known Policy of Country—Bryan Never Opposed Pensions.

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Did Not Refer to Roosevelt, But Tells What He Did Say.
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